

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Previously Presented) A particulate guaifenesin composition, comprising particles that comprise an agglomerated mixture of guaifenesin particles and a polyvinylpyrrolidone binder, wherein the composition comprises from about 85 percent by weight to about 97.5 percent by weight guaifenesin and wherein by sieve analysis, based on the total weight of the composition, less than about 30 percent by weight of the particles of the composition exhibit a particle size of greater than about 425 micrometers and greater than about 80 percent by weight of the particles of the composition exhibit a particle size of greater than about 45 micrometers.
2. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition comprises guaifenesin, polyvinylpyrrolidone binder, a solubilizer, a glidant, and a lubricant.
3. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition comprises guaifenesin, polyvinylpyrrolidone binder, a maltodextrin, a silica, and stearic acid.
4. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition, based on the total weight of dry ingredients, from about 85 to about 97.5 percent by weight guaifenesin, from about 1.0 to about 7 percent by weight polyvinylpyrrolidone binder, from about 0.2 to about 4 percent by weight of a solubilizer or a disintegrant or a solubilizer and a disintegrant, from about 0.1 to about 2 percent by weight of a glidant, and from about 0.1 to about 2 percent by weight of a lubricant.

6. (Original) The composition of claim 1, wherein by sieve analysis, based on the total weight of the guaifenesin particles, greater than about 10 percent by weight of the guaifenesin particles exhibit a particle size of greater than 75 micrometers and greater than about 55 percent by weight of the particles exhibit a particle size of greater than 45 micrometers.

7. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 1, wherein less than about 25 percent by weight of the particles of the composition exhibit a particle size of greater than about 425 micrometers, greater than about 85 percent by weight of the particles of the composition exhibit a particle size of greater than about 45 micrometers, and from about 17 to about 55 percent by weight of the particles of the composition exhibit a particle size of from greater than 45 micrometers to less than 150 micrometers.

8. (Original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition exhibits a flow rate of greater than or equal to 6.5 grams per second, as measured using a VanKel flowmeter.

9-30. (Cancelled)

31. (Previously Presented) A guaifenesin composition, comprising guaifenesin particles, a polyvinylpyrrolidone binder, and a solubilizer, or a disintegrant, or a solubilizer and a disintegrant, wherein the composition comprises from about 85 percent by weight to about 97.5 percent by weight guaifenesin, and is in the form of particles, said particles of said composition comprising particles that comprise an agglomerated mixture of guaifenesin particles and polyvinylpyrrolidone binder, wherein the composition is capable of being compressed into a compressed dosage form without addition of other components, and wherein by sieve analysis, based on the total weight of the composition, less than about 30 percent by weight of the particles exhibit a

particle size of greater than about 425 micrometers and greater than about 80 percent by weight of the particles exhibit a particle size of greater than about 45 micrometers.

33. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 31, wherein the composition comprises, based on the total weight of dry ingredients, from about 85 to about 97.5 percent by weight guaifenesin, from about 1.0 to about 7 percent by weight polyvinylpyrrolidone binder, and from about 0.2 to about 4 percent by weight of solubilizer, or disintegrant, or solubilizer and disintegrant.

34. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 33, wherein the composition further comprises from about 0.1 to about 2 percent by weight of a glidant, and from about 0.1 to about 2 percent by weight of a lubricant.

35. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 31, wherein less than about 25 percent by weight of the particles exhibit a particle size of greater than about 425 micrometers, greater than about 85 percent by weight of the particles exhibit a particle size of greater than about 45 micrometers, and from about 17 to about 55 percent by weight of the particles exhibit a particle size of from greater than 45 micrometers to less than 150 micrometers.

36. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 31, wherein the composition exhibits a flow rate of greater than or equal to 6.5 grams per second, as measured using a VanKel flowmeter.

37. (New) A free flowing granular composition comprising an agglomerate of guaifenesin and a binder therefore, said binder comprising from about 1.0 to about 7% by weight polyvinylpyrrolidone, and from about 0.2 to about 4% by weight of solubilizer, or distintegrant, or solubilizer and disintegrant; and from about 0.1 to about 2 wt % of a lubricant; wherein the free flowing

agglomerate exhibits a flow rate greater or equal to 6.5 grams per second as measured in a VanKel flowmeter and is suitable for direct compression in a tableting press operating at no more than 2.5 tons, to produce a tablet exhibiting less than 1% friability, high hardness, and resistant to capping, said composition comprising particles having a sieve analysis, based on the total weight of the components of the composition, of less than about 25% by weight of the particles exhibiting a particle size greater than 425 micrometer and greater than about 85% by weight of the particles exhibit a particle size of greater than about 45 micrometers, and the composition comprises from about 85% by weight to about 97.5% by weight guaifenesin.